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SUBJECT: PROPOSALS FOR USE OF EXCESS RUPEES

REFTEL: ISLAMABAD 10727

1. WE WERE SURPRISED TO DISCOVER THAT SUCH MISUNDERSTANDING EXISTED BETWEEN EMBASSY AND RP OVER THE PROCESS FOR GAINING GOP APPROVAL FOR USE OF RUPEES AND EXPENDITURE THEREOF. SO FAR AS WE WERE/ARE AWARE, THE HOLD UP IN THE PROCESS HAS BEEN RECEIVING CONCURRENCE FROM GOP ON GENERAL USES PROPOSED TWO MONTHS AGO.

2. IN THE HOPE THAT IT WILL SPEED UP THE PROCESS OF GOP
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APPROVAL, HOWEVER, WE ARE INCLUDING A PRELIMINARY

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INDICATION OF WHAT ALLOCATION WE HAVE IN MIND FOR VOLAG PROJECTS. THESE ARE PENDING "FINAL REVIEW," A LARGE MEASURE OF WHICH WILL BE EMBASSY'S RESPONSE TO THIS FIRST CUT. WE GREATLY APPRECIATE THE THOUGHTFUL EVALUATION EMBASSY HAS GIVEN TO PROPOSALS SUBMITTED SO FAR.

3. THIS PROPOSAL FOR ALLOCATION OF RUPEES IS BASED ON MANY CONSIDERATIONS: A. DENEY/SERDULA TRIP REPORT (COPY POUCHED TO EMBASSY IN MAY, WHICH RECOMMENDED THAT EMPHASIS BE PLACED ON SUCH PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS AS TB AND MALARIAL CONTROL AND CHILDHOOD VACCINATION PROGRAMS; B. YOUR CABLE 10183 WHICH, IN REVIEWING REFUGEE SITUATION IN NWFP DIR CHITRAL DISTRICT, MENTIONED NEED FOR TENT REPLACEMENT; C. YOUR AFOREMENTIONED PREFERENCE FOR PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS AND TRAINING. HERE IS THE RESULTING PROPOSED EXPENDITURE OF THE 47,520,000 RUPEES AVAILABLE:

VOLAG/IO	PROJECT	-	-	AMOUNT
UNHCR -	CONTINUING	-	-	26,730,580
-	PROGRAM			
LICROSS	APPEAL CLOTHING.			9,990,000
-	KITCHEN SETS.			
CRS	3,700 TENTS	-	-	5,180,000
-	1,300 TENTS TO BE FUNDED BY DOLLARS.			
CMS	SUPPORT FOR FIVE EXISTING HEALTH UNITS			
-	JAN - SEPT 82:	-	-	1,800,000
-	3,000 TENTS TO BE FUNDED BY DOLLARS.			

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IRC	UNDER 5 PROGRAM	-	173,250
-	ADDITIONAL STAFF	-	308,880
-	20 DISPENSARIES	-	586,080
-	IMMUNIZATIONS	-	1,442,430
-	TB PROGRAM	-	1,308,780

TOTAL RUPEES SPENT - - - 47,520,000

4. IN ABOVE ALLOCATION PROPOSAL, WE HAVE CONSCIOUSLY NOT FUNDED ANY ADDITIONAL MOBILE HEALTH UNITS. THE

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REVISED IRC PROPOSAL LISTS AS ADDITIONAL STAFF ITEM FUNDED ABOVE, THREE FEMALE DOCTORS TO ROTATE AMONG THE EXISTING MOBILE HEALTH TEAMS, ONE HEALTH EDUCATOR AND AN AFGHAN TRANSLATOR TO EXPAND ACTIVITY IN HEALTH EDUCATION, AND ONE TRANSLATOR TO INCREASE LANGUAGE CAPABILITY IN PESHAWAR. THE 20 DISPENSARIES FUNDED WILL HAVE WASHING AREAS TO TRAIN WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN BASIC HYGIENE. THESE WILL BE CONSTRUCTED AROUND THE UNICEF DUG WELLS NEAR THE DISPENSARIES. THE TB PROGRAM IS INCLUDED FOR REASONS MENTIONED PARA 3.

5. RP/LYNCH MET WITH SALVATION ARMY/MCCLURE TO DISCUSS SA'S PROPOSAL WHICH INCLUDES TWO MOBILE HEALTH UNITS, HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAM, HEALTH EDUCATOR/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WORKER, AND TRAINING IN LITERACY AND VOCATIONAL SKILLS FOR REFUGEES. WE ARE MINDFUL OF EMBASSY COMMENT THAT WE SHOULD NOT ENCOURAGE VOLAGS NOT ALREADY PARTICIPATING IN RELIEF ACTIVITIES, BUT ALSO OF REVIEW OF IRC PROPOSAL WHICH STRESSED PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTIONS AND TRAINING REFUGEES TO MORE EFFECTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN THEIR OWN HEALTH CARE. SA PROPOSAL APPEARS TO MEET EMBASSY'S STATED PREFERENCES TO A GREATER DEGREE THAN OTHERS. FOR THIS FIRST CUT, HOWEVER, THE SA PROPOSAL IS NOT RPT NOT INCLUDED, AS IT WAS NOT RECEIVED PRIOR TO COMPLETION OF THIS DIVISION OF THE "RUPEE PIE". EMBASSY WILL BE CONTACTED BY MCCLURE WHO WAS TO GO TO
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PAKISTAN O/A AUG. 23. REQUEST REPORT ON REACTION TO PROPOSAL ASAP, PARTICULARLY IF EMBASSY FEELS IT CALLS FOR A REDIVISION OF RUPEES.

6. AS STATED, THIS REPRESENTS FIRST CUT AT ALLOCATION. THE LICROSS AND UNHCR DONATIONS HAVE BEEN SEEN AS FAIRLY FIXED, WITH THE MAJOR DISCUSSION FOCUSED AROUND THE WAY IN WHICH THE REMAINING APPROX. 11,000,000 RS WOULD BE DIVIDED AMONG THE VOLAG PROJECTS. PARTICULARLY IF EMBASSY THINKS RUPEES ARE BEST GIVEN TO FEWER COMPLETE PROJECTS RATHER THAN TO PORTIONS OF SEVERAL PROPOSALS AS WE HAVE DONE HERE,, WE WOULD WELCOME CONSTRUCTIVE COMMENTS.

7. FYI. WE HAVE RECEIVED POUCHED COPY OF LICROSS APPEAL. END FYI. (RP/ENE: 0542C) HAIG

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